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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Keith V. Wood et al.	Examiner:	Rebecca Prouty
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Title	SYNTHETIC NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF PREPARATION		

PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the final Office Action mailed January 6, 2004, said period of response being extended from April 6, 2004 to June 7, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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